



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Date January 22, 2009

In re the Application of

Noboru YAMAMOTO

Group Art Unit: 2155

Application No.: 10/511,683

Examiner: T. NGUYEN

Filed: October 19, 2004

Docket No.: 121552

For: PARALLEL MERGE/SORT PROCESSING DEVICE, METHOD AND PROGRAM

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

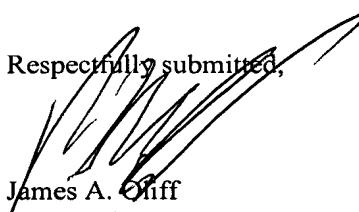
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired December 26, 2008, an extension of time for a period of one month is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 214318 in the amount of \$130 in payment for:

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